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STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
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KEITH CREAGH
DIRECTOR

August 18, 2014

TO: Keith Creagh, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: State Forest Land Exchange
Atlanta Management Unit – Alpena County
Leschinger Land Exchange
Land Transaction Case #20140070

Applicant: Gerald Leschinger, Hubbard Lake, Michigan

PA 240 of 2012: The parcels involved in the exchange are north of the Mason-Arenac line
and will not result in a change in counted acres.
Excluded acres: None

Private Land Offered in Exchange: 40 acres more or less

Location: Alpena County, Wilson Township, T30N, R07E, Section 14:
The SW1/4 of the NW1/4.

Appraised Value: \$43,000.00

Payment at Closing: \$ 1,000.00

Total Compensation

To be Provided by

Applicant: \$44,000.00

State Land Desired in Exchange: 40 acres more or less

Location: Alpena County, Ossineke Township, T29N, R06E, Section 11:
The SE1/4 of the SW1/4.

Appraised Value: \$44,000.00

Authority: Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources (Department) September 2, 2014, calendar, and is eligible for approval on September 9, 2014.

Comments: The offered and desired lands are located in Alpena County and are between 10-15 miles southwest of the city of Alpena.

The desired state land was acquired by tax reversion in 1929. The

desired 40-acre tract is surrounded by private ownership on three sides. Minerals will be retained in the exchange due to the parcel being under lease and in production. The tract contains a gas well and pipelines relating to gas production. A private two-track extends from Kleve Road from the west to the east. The Department will retain a management-only easement extending from the existing two-track to the northerly adjacent state-owned land.

The offered tract is completely surrounded by state-owned land. The property is level and fairly wet with poorly drained soils and a high water table. The majority of the property is forested with lowland conifers and brush. The tract contains several small ponds and areas of standing water. Access is from an existing two-track that traverses adjacent state-owned land.

The proposed land exchange was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on April 17, 2014.

Any proceeds from the exchange will be deposited in The Land Exchange Facilitation Fund (LEFF). The LEFF Act allows the Department to sell rights in land and deposit the proceeds in a fund, which can then be used to acquire replacement property.

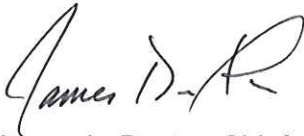
- Engagement: Local units of government have been contacted in writing and by phone and have stated no objections to the exchange as proposed.
- Recommendation(s):
- (1) That the exchange be approved with the state reserving mineral rights and aboriginal antiquities.
 - (2) That the proceeds from the transaction be deposited into the LEFF.
 - (3) That the state retain a management-only access easement across the desired tract.



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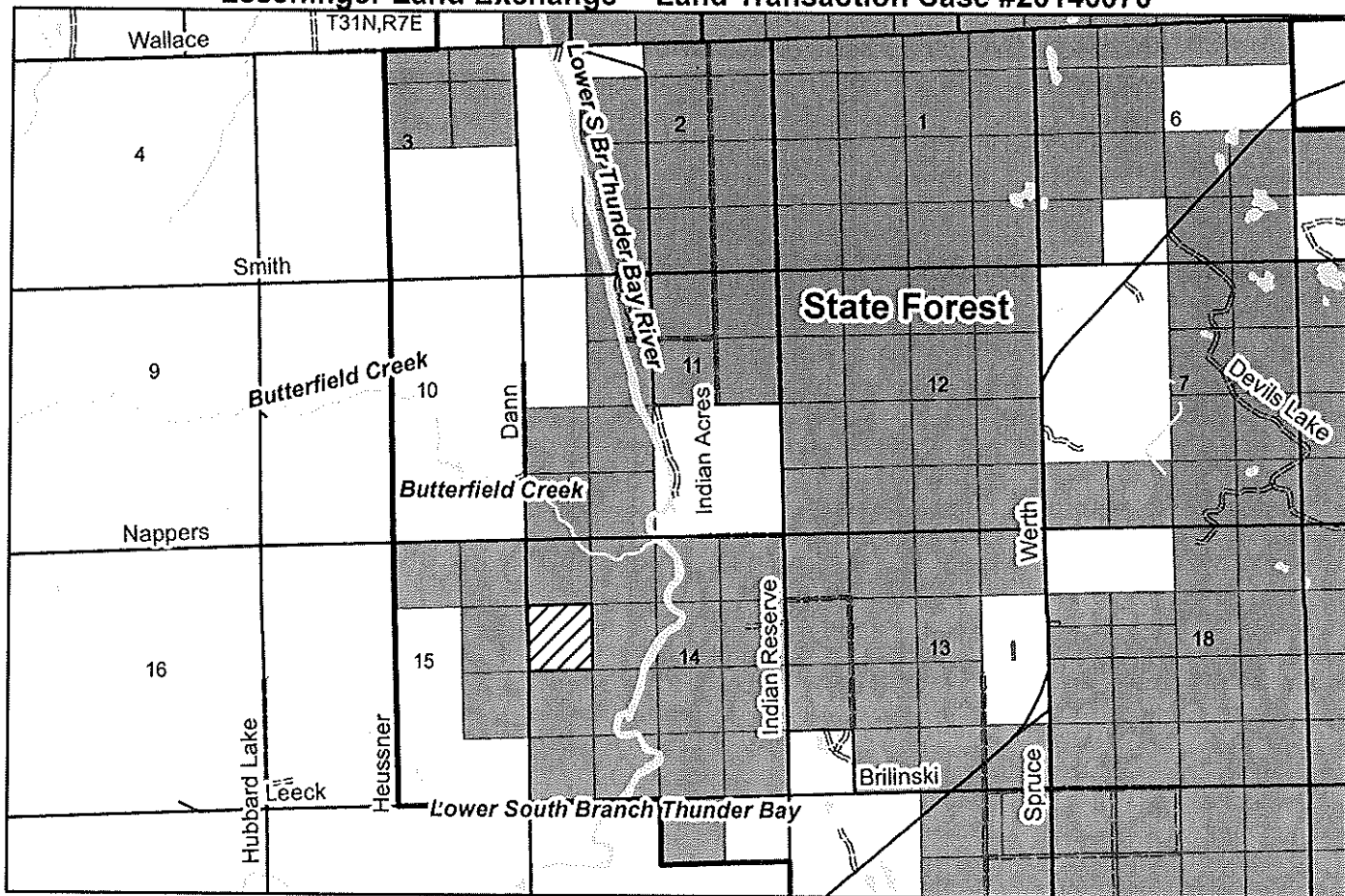
Mark H. Hoffman
Chief Administrative Officer

I approve the staff recommendations.

Keith Creagh
Director

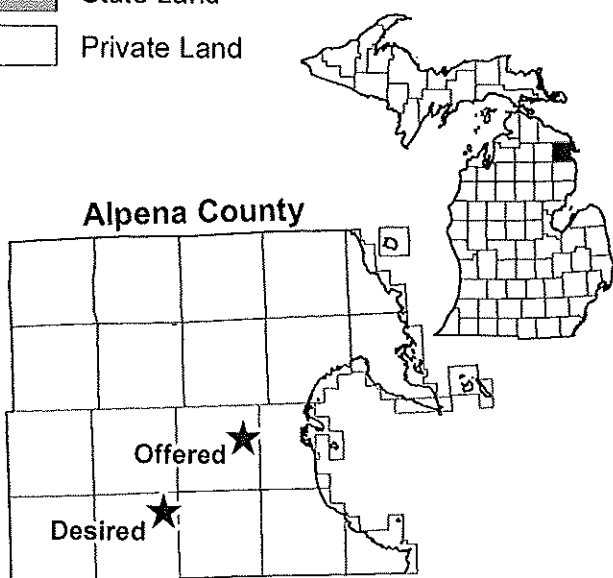
Date Approved

STATE FOREST LAND EXCHANGE
Atlanta Management Unit -- Alpena County
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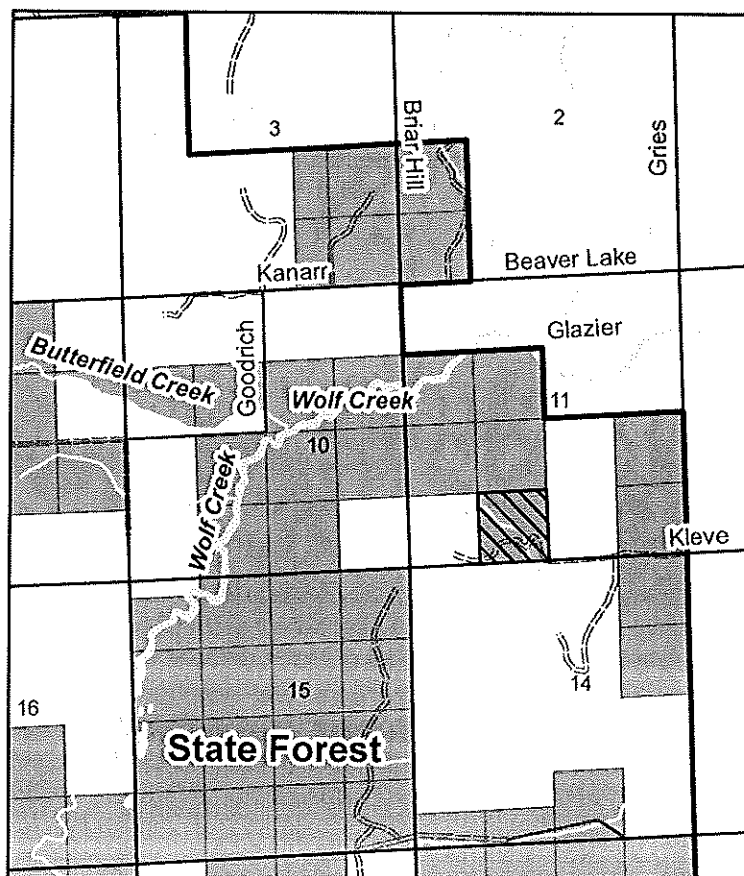


Offered -- Section 14, T30N, R7E
Wilson Township

- State Forest Boundary
- Land Offered to the DNR (40 acres)
- DNR Land Desired (40 acres)
- State Land
- Private Land



DNR -- Finance & Operations Division
 Real Estate Services Section
 08/12/2014



Desired -- Section 11, T29N, R6E
Ossineke Township